



## I-5, SR 432 Talley Way Interchange Open House You're Invited!

Learn more about how this project will improve safety and accessibilty in your community.

### **Open House**

WSDOT Kelso Office 2400 Talley Way Kelso, WA 98626 (800) 545-1393

4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, September 27

### What is the purpose of this open house?

WSDOT is hosting the open house to update the community on the project design.

#### What is this project?

This project will improve the I-5 interchange at SR 432 (Exit 36), and the adjacent SR 432 interchange at Talley Way.

### How will this project improve safety?

Accidents caused by vehicles changing lanes and merging at the current interchanges will be reduced.

## How will this project improve congestion?

The SR 432 interchanges at I-5 and Talley Way are in close proximity to each other, which can cause traffic to back up as cars and trucks merge back and forth between them, resulting in unsafe driving conditions. This project will improve the interconnectivity of these interchanges and help reduce congestion and safey problems.

# Project Update: New Design for SR-432 at Talley Way and I-5 Interchange

#### What's been going on since the last public meeting?

Over the spring and summer, detailed environmental and geotechnical studies were completed. A more detailed look at the design and cost estimates were completed after these studies. These studies concluded that the prior design, called "Alternative VE", is not practical due to poor soil and subsurface conditions in the area. As a result, partners have reviewed and revised the design concept to address the study findings.

### How did WSDOT come up with the new design?

WSDOT gained new information from the preliminary work. Along with its partner agencies - Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Council of Governments, the City of Kelso, City of Longview, the Port of Longview, Cowlitz County and the WSDOT project team developed and evaluated several options.

The result of this analysis was the creation of a new design, one that differs from the design presented earlier this year. The new design will still make needed safety and mobility improvements, while addressing the challenges presented by the geotechnical study.



The existing interchange of I-5 and SR 432.

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### How can I get more information?

Project details can be found on the I-5, SR 432 Talley Way Interchange project web page at: www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/I5/SR432Interchange

Call the Kelso Area Engineering Office at: (800) 545-1393

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## **Project Facts**

- A new design is being presented.
  WSDOT is hosting an open house,
  where the public can learn more
  about the design. The open
  house will be held Wednesday,
  September 27, from 4 p.m. to
  7 p.m. at WSDOT's Kelso Area
  Office.
- The new interchanges will improve safety, create better connections to existing roads, increase capacity and decrease congestion.
- Project Timeline: Design work is expected to last through 2007, with right-of-way acquisition scheduled to be completed in 2008. Construction is scheduled to start in 2009 and be completed by 2011.